

## France throws out 47 Soviets as spies

PARIS (Reuters). — France yesterday expelled 47 Soviet diplomats and officials accusing them of systematic spying involving French military, scientific and industrial secrets.

All 47 left for Moscow with their families aboard a special Ilyushin airliner.

The Soviet Embassy denounced the charges as unfounded, arbitrary and politically motivated.

The action, comparable only to the expulsion of 103 Soviet officials by Britain in 1971, plunged relations between Paris and Moscow to their lowest level since the 1950s.

France's Socialist administration broke its silence on the expulsions in a statement from the Interior Ministry an hour after the Soviet plane left for Moscow.

The statement said the French counter-espionage service, the DST, had evidence which showed "the systematic gathering of scientific, technical and technological

secrets, particularly in the military domain, by several agents of the Soviet secret services on French territory."

The expulsions orders had been justified by what it said was the multiplicity and seriousness of the activities conducted for the profit of that foreign power through agents usually enjoying diplomatic status.

Western diplomatic sources linked the order to recent expulsions of alleged Soviet and East European agents in Britain, Italy, Spain and other West European countries.

Information from Communist defectors had helped the western services, the sources said.

In an apparently related incident last week, a 25-year-old archivist was charged at Meaux, west of Paris, with passing secrets to foreign agents. Press reports said he was seized as he was handing documents

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Some of the thousands of Mimouna celebrants yesterday at Jerusalem's Sacher Park. Story — page 3. (Rahamim Israeli)

## Conflicting reports about Thai use of napalm bombs

BANGKOK (Reuters). — Thailand launched a diplomatic offensive against Hanoi yesterday after a week of intense Vietnamese attacks on Kampuchean guerrillas based on the Thai-Kampuchean frontier.

There were conflicting reports that Thai forces had used napalm to dislodge Vietnamese troops from Thai soil.

The Thai Foreign Ministry summoned ambassadors from more than 20 countries yesterday and urged them to condemn Vietnam for what it called its aggression, and to support Thailand in defending its sovereignty.

Senior Thai officials said two Thai fighter-bombers dropped napalm on an estimated 150 Vietnamese troops dug in on the slopes of Phnom Pra Hill near the frontier on Monday.

But an army spokesman later denied that napalm had been used.

It would be a violation of the doctrine of napalm — petroleum jelly

which sticks to the body of its victim and burns fiercely — since the Vietnam war ended eight years ago.

There were unconfirmed reports from the frontier region that the Vietnamese troops at Phnom Pra, a hill that Bangkok says is just on the Thai side of the ill-defined border, had yesterday been pushed back into Kampuchea.

The Thai army rushed extra troops to the frontier region 270 kilometres east of Bangkok yesterday.

The Foreign Ministry issued a statement saying Vietnam clearly intended to seek a direct confrontation with Thailand by force. It accused Hanoi of cruel and barbarous liquidation of the Kampuchean people along the frontier.

But the head of Thailand's Foreign Ministry, Permanent Secretary Asa Sarasin, told a news conference that Thailand would not

## 'Poison' cases ordered to transfer

By MARGERY GREENFELD and DAVID RICHARDSON  
Jerusalem Post Reporters

Israeli military authorities last night ordered the immediate transfer of three "poisoning" victims hospitalized in Hebron to hospitals within Israel, and also instructed the hospital staff either to transfer 40 of the remaining 76 hospitalized schoolgirls to Israeli hospitals by this morning, or to discharge them, medical sources in the West Bank said.

This step precedes today's scheduled visit to Hebron, of two experts from the Centre for Disease

Control in Atlanta, Georgia, whom the Health Ministry has asked to investigate the wave of alleged poisonings in the West Bank over the past two weeks.

Also scheduled for this morning is a meeting at civil administration headquarters at Beit El between two experts from the World Health Organization and West Bank medical officials, *The Jerusalem Post* has learned.

Australian epidemiologist Dr. Ian Carter and Italian toxicologist Dr. Gastone Vettorazzi, who arrived here on Monday night from WHO headquarters in Geneva to conduct

a separate investigation, will be meeting this morning with West Bank director of hospitals Dr. Shehade Shehade, West Bank public health services director Dr. Hussein Obeid and civil administration health officer Dr. Yitzhak Faver.

The WHO team, collecting material for a report to the UN Security Council, spent yesterday visiting West Bank hospitals, while the American experts are scheduled to be out in the field today. Both teams are maintaining their distance from the press. Last night, no information was available on the progress of either investigation.

Hebron Hospital doctors last night said that they had "no idea why those particular three cases had been singled out for immediate transfer" since there were other "more serious" cases. The three were sent last night to an undisclosed hospital in Israel.

Nor was any explanation offered. "Meanwhile," *Reuters* reported from Geneva that the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) withheld comment yesterday on reports that one of its

## Amman talks suspended for consultations

By DAVID BERNSTEIN  
Post Middle East Affairs Reporter

PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat yesterday left Amman for an unscheduled swing around the Arab world, leaving his talks with Jordan's King Hussein hanging fire.

Observers were uncertain about the aims of the PLO leader's trip, but he is apparently seeking approval — especially from Saudi Arabia — of a proposed accord with Jordan based on a formula calling upon the U.S. to offer the Arabs guarantees regarding the Reagan peace plan, announced last September 1.

The core of the required guarantees will be American pressure on Israel to withdraw from all occupied Arab land.

Arafat's first stop was Kuwait, where he is reported to have briefed the central committee of his mainstream Fatah organization. He is expected to go on to Saudi Arabia

before returning to Amman, possibly today.

No official statement has yet been issued by either Jordan or the PLO. But the two sides appear to be seeking a formula that will tie the U.S. down to more specific guarantees concerning an eventual Israeli withdrawal from Arab territories captured in 1967.

This would be coupled with a bid to secure general Arab endorsement of a Jordanian negotiating role in the peace process if such American assurances are forthcoming.

The English-language Jordanian daily, *Jordan Times*, yesterday quoted an unidentified Palestinian source as saying that Arafat and Hussein had, in fact, agreed on a joint declaration containing the following three points:

- a call on the U.S. to announce the basic principles of a Middle East solution under which Israel would

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## U.S. in dark about parley

By WOLF BLITZER  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. was yesterday still clearly uncertain about the outcome of the latest meetings in Amman between King Hussein and Yasser Arafat.

U.S. officials continued to express hope that the Jordan king eventually would win tacit approval from the PLO to enter the U.S.-sponsored peace process, although they were by no means certain.

The U.S. Embassy in Amman, they said, had not yet provided Washington with an authoritative account of the meetings. One of the problems, they said, was that almost all of the sessions involved only Arafat and Hussein.

Some officials insisted the Saudis were helpful, while others denied this.

Publicly, the administration issued a statement which sought to

encourage the Arabs to allow Hussein to join the talks. It pointedly praised the Jordanian monarch.

"The process of consultations between Jordanian and PLO officials is continuing," said State Department spokesman John Hughes. "What is needed is a prompt move to the negotiating table. It's only there that a solution to the Palestinian problem in all its aspects will be found."

"In our view, the president's September 1 initiative, based on UN Security Council Resolution 242, provides the best means for accomplishing that goal. King Hussein has taken the lead in recognizing the opportunity currently available for revitalizing the peace process. He is seized before it is lost and that they will support the king and his desire to move forward toward peace."

## Two IDF men hurt in Lebanon ambush

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. — Two Israeli soldiers were wounded last night, when their vehicle was struck by rocket propelled grenades fired from an ambush near Ain Zahlata in central Lebanon. They were evacuated by helicopter to Rambam Hospital in Haifa.

Large units of the Israel Defence Forces, using flares, searched the area where the attack took place.

The road where the ambush occurred runs along the Safa River,

one of the tributaries of the Damour River, and is lined with gorges and dense vegetation providing ample concealment.

This morning, the IDF is expected to conduct intensive searches of the area up to the Syrian front, to determine whether the attackers infiltrated from Syrian lines.

Two Israeli soldiers were killed and two wounded several weeks ago in the same region, when their vehicle was ambushed by terrorists who pretended that their car had broken down.

## 443 El Al workers quit for good today

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A total of 443 El Al workers today are leaving the national carrier as part of management's attempt to revive the debt-ridden airline. More than 200 other permanent and about 30 temporary workers will be dismissed by October, the airline reported yesterday.

The 20 per cent staff reduction is expected to save El Al about \$25 million a year, a well-placed government source told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

## Moda'i: Summer time is worth \$200m.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i said yesterday that Israel could save about \$200 million from increased productivity and reduced fuel consumption by instituting summer time from May to October.

In a letter to Interior Minister Yosef Burg, who has the authority to institute summer time, Moda'i said that "Israel has neither the economic resources nor the moral right to refrain from switching over to summer time." He said that it was not justified to avoid summer

time "just because some groups obstinately refuse to accept a little inconvenience."

This apparently refers to the Orthodox community's opposition to summer time on the grounds that it does not permit sufficient time for morning prayers before going to work.

Moda'i noted that the sum that could be saved equals the net amount brought in each year by Israel Bonds, which requires numerous trips abroad to make appeals to Diaspora Jewry.

## Faster devaluation expected in order to help exporters

Post Economic Reporter

An accelerated devaluation of the shekel is expected in the near future, as part of the Treasury's efforts to make up for a delay in effecting regular devaluations and to help the country's exporters.

During March, the shekel was devalued by 5.4 per cent against the U.S. dollar, for a total of 17.6 per cent since the beginning of the year. This corresponds to a daily devaluation rate of about 0.2 per cent.

Yesterday the Treasury devalued the shekel by 0.75 per cent, after a four-day standstill. Banks sold dollars yesterday for IS40.55.

The accelerated devaluation is one of the measures to boost exports discussed yesterday by the Treasury and the Ministry of Trade and Industry which are likely to be raised at today's cabinet session. (The cabinet did not hold its regular meeting on Sunday, the eve

of the holiday.)

In line with these efforts, the cabinet is expected to approve an adjustment of exchange rate insurance premiums for exporters and to reduce export taxes, amounting to an additional indirect subsidy of that branch of between \$130 to \$140 million. Similarly, National Insurance Institute premiums for export industry employers are expected to be cut.

The cabinet is also expected to approve the monthly rise in subsidised food, services, fuel and electricity prices by about the usual 5 per cent. Price rises were delayed by the holidays, and by the government's desire to keep down the high inflation rate forecast for April.

Economists predict that the consumer price index will rise by between 8 and 9 per cent this month, compared to an expected 5.5 to 6 per cent for March.

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## Talks with Lebanon are streamlined

HALDE, Lebanon. — Lebanese, Israeli and U.S. negotiators met here yesterday with slimmed-down delegations in an attempt to speed up the 14-week-old talks on the withdrawal of foreign troops from Lebanon.

The three countries each brought only two civilians and two military officials to the talks compared with about 30 at previous sessions.

"We want an early agreement with Lebanon and I think we are now close to it," Israel's chief delegate David Kimche was quoted by Lebanese spokesman Daoud Sayegh as saying at the opening of the session.

The 26th round of talks lasted about three hours, Sayegh said the

closed-door deliberations concentrated on future relations between Lebanon and Israel and on security arrangements to shield Israel against renewed Palestinian terrorist attacks from Southern Lebanon.

Sayegh did not say whether any specific agreement had been reached on either issue and none of the negotiating team members was able to report any breakthrough.

Sayegh said the next round of talks is slated for tomorrow in Kiryat Shmonea.

Lebanese military sources said last week that there was agreement on a joint Lebanese-Israeli-U.S. committee, to be based in South Lebanon, which would oversee security measures applied by the

Lebanese Army.

But Lebanon's government officials later said no such agreement had been concluded.

Also at stake is the future of militia leader Major Sa'ad Haddad, who has controlled the South Lebanese border strip for the past five years with Israeli backing.

Lebanon has been resisting Israeli demands to have Haddad and his militia given a key role in the security of South Lebanon.

Israeli troops were searching all cars and trucks passing south through their front-line position at Halde yesterday, causing traffic jams on the coastal road towards Sidon.

The searches appeared unrelated

to the talks but seemed aimed at tighter security following a series of attacks on Israeli troops.

Beirut newspapers reported mounting tension between Syrian and Israeli forces in the Bekaa Valley, following an Israeli barrage against the Syrians on Monday. The barrage was prompted by a Syrian bulldozer which strayed across the cease-fire line as engineering units were busy fortifying Syrian positions to face Israeli reinforcements in the Bekaa front, the newspapers said.

They said the Syrians refrained from returning fire and there were no casualties in the third shooting incident between the Israelis and Syrians in the Bekaa in a week. (Reuters, AP)



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AMSTERDAM	7	45	11	52
BRUSSELS	7	45	11	52
COLOGNE	10	50	24	75
FRANKFURT	10	50	24	75
GENEVA	2	36	7	45
HAMBURG	4	39	9	48
HELSINKI	17	63	19	66
JOHANNESBURG	20	68	27	81
LONDON	8	48	16	61
MADRID	3	37	8	46
MONTREAL	3	37	15	59
NEW YORK	6	43	15	59
OSLO	0	32	4	39
PARIS	1	34	10	50
RIO DE JANEIRO	17	63	21	70
SAO PAULO	16	61	27	81
STOCKHOLM	10	50	17	63
TOKYO	10	50	17	63
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## THE WEATHER

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	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min-Max	Humidity
Jerusalem	34	8-21	26
Golan	37	8-21	26
Nahariya	77	10-18	25
Safed	43	10-17	23
Haifa Port	86	14-22	26
Tiberias	66	11-22	30
Nazareth	68	11-23	30
Afula	41	10-23	26
Shomron	41	10-23	26
Tel Aviv	71	14-21	23
B-G Airport	57	11-22	30
Jericho	45	14-26	33
Gaza	82	13-19	26
Beersheba	37	9-26	31
Eilat	21	16-31	34

## SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Bishop Lohse, the chairman of the Council of the Lutheran Church in West Germany, has called on Religious Affairs Minister Yosef Burg.

Beth Heuss, Wizo's Rest Home for Mothers of Large Families sponsored by Wizo-Germany, was yesterday the venue of a reception in honour of the German delegation to today's opening of Wizo's Heinz Herbert Karly Youth Club, also sponsored by Wizo-Germany. World Wizo Executive Chairman Ruth Izakson addressed the distinguished guests, who included the wife and family of the late Heinz Herbert Karly.

Dr. Niels Hansen, Wizo-Germany's President Hellen Israel, members of the mission of the German Wizo Federation and the World Wizo Executive and other prominent personalities from Israel and abroad.

The Haifa Rotary Club will hold a business meeting at the Nof Hotel at 1 p.m. today.

## In Memoriam

A memorial meeting for former chief of staff Rav-Aluf David Elazar was held yesterday at his graveside in the Mt. Herzl military cemetery in Jerusalem.



## Actor Shimon Bar, 55, laid to rest

Shimon Bar, one of Israel's most popular actors, was buried in Tel Aviv yesterday after suffering a fatal heart attack on Saturday. Bar, 55, had been partially paralyzed for the last two years. He was a member of the Cameri Theatre.

Born in Rumania and a graduate of the Faculty of Arts at Bucharest University, he arrived here in 1948 and joined the Cameri. In 1957, he took a temporary leave from the company to found the Theatre's quartet troupe together with Gideon Singer, Reuben Scheffer and Ya'acov Ben-Sira.

While with the Cameri, Bar won fame for many outstanding performances.

Bar is survived by his wife Shoshana, a daughter Daphna 17, and a son, Uriel, 6.

## Mubarak visits N. Korea, Japan

TOKYO. — Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak left the North Korean capital of Pyongyang yesterday after concluding his one-day state visit, the official (North) Korean Central News Agency reported.

Mubarak was scheduled to arrive in Tokyo later in the day on the third leg of a four-nation Asian tour which will later take him to Indonesia.

# HOME AND WORLD NEWS

## Arens says patience will lead to Lebanon agreement soon

By SARAH HONIG  
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Defence Minister Moshe Arens predicted yesterday that "Israel and Lebanon will soon reach agreement" but stressed that "what is most needed now is patience to facilitate negotiations."

Arens was speaking at a Likud Knesset faction meeting convened to sum up the just-ended Knesset winter session.

He said the Lebanon war had brought "tremendous achievements for Israel. It is hard to imagine how anyone living in this country cannot see this." Among the achievements he listed were: "the destruction of the Palestine Liberation Organization's state-within-a-state in Lebanon, of the powerful army it massed there and of its incredible arsenal."

Another achievement was "the

defeat of the Syrian Air Force." Arens added that "this is the first war Israel fought which has been immediately followed by negotiations."

Finance Minister Yoram Aridor told the meeting that "this government will not give in to the doctor's demands. Our computers show that the gross cost of the increase demanded by the doctors would amount to 1535 billion. We would either need to print this amount or perform impossible massive budget cuts. Neither alternative will even be considered," Aridor said.

Faction leader MK Sarah Doron, soon to become the sixth Liberal cabinet member, labelled the campaign by Labour left-wingers against accepting the Lebanon war ribbon "an unpatriotic act which smacks of lack of loyalty to the country and an attempt to question the legitimacy of this government."

## Kreisky: Prisoner swap not in sight

VIENNA (AP). — Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky yesterday said negotiations toward an exchange of prisoners between Israel and the PLO are continuing and described as "successful" an Austrian middleman's recent mission to three Middle East countries.

But the chancellor told reporters after a cabinet meeting that no agreement was yet in sight, adding that he was hopeful as long as the talks are in progress.

Herbert Amry, Kreisky's office director, returned from Damascus

late on Monday after a meeting with a PLO officer, identified as Abu Ziad.

Wolfgang Petritsch, Kreisky's press secretary, disclosed that Amry had made several similar shuttle missions in the past in an effort to bring about a prisoner swap.

Petritsch told the Associated Press that negotiations have been going on for several months. Earlier reports said the Palestine Liberation Organization wants some 1,000 prisoners held by Israel released in exchange for eight Israeli soldiers.

## Iran gives oil for anti-Israel fight

LONDON (Reuters). — Iran will donate a million tons of oil a year to Syria for use in its conflict with Israel.

Iranian Oil Minister Mohammed Gharazi said Iran would supply a total of six million tons of crude a year — or about 120,000 barrels a day — under the terms of a contract signed in Teheran last night.

Five million tons will be paid for partly in cash and partly in Syrian foodstuffs, textiles and chemicals, the Iranian national news agency IRNA quoted officials as saying.

The remaining one million tons will go to Syria "at no cost, for the purpose of that country's struggle against the Zionist regime," IRNA said.

## Motorcyclist dies after vehicle crashes

TEL AVIV. — A motorcyclist died on Monday night after his vehicle crashed in Reading Street. Police said the cause of the accident was not clear.

Yitzhak Yifat, of Frankel Street, Tel Aviv, was taken to hospital in a critical condition and died soon

after he was struck by a car. The driver of a pick-up truck in which she was travelling applied the brakes suddenly. Also in Petah Tikva, a pedestrian received moderate injuries when she was knocked down by a car, and a motorized bicycle rider was seriously injured.

## It's MA-CCA-BI for the 14th time

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Maccabi Tel Aviv beat Hapoel Ramat-Gan 80-78 in the very last second of a highly dramatic final match at Yad Eliahu Stadium here last night to win the second of the best-of-three play-offs in the basketball championships.

As Maccabi won the first of the three play-offs last week, last night's victory clinches the title for them.

Two-and-a-half minutes before the final whistle, Hapoel led 78-70, but Maccabi managed to add ten points without Hapoel scoring

again, largely due to Mickey Berkowitz, who collected eight of these points. He finished with 27.

Earl Williams followed with 21 points. For the losers, Cliff Poindexter, with 19, was the highest scorer. Their best player was their playmaker, Avigdor Moskovitz.

Corky Nelson, 14 points, also fought hard to save the match.

Maccabi Tel Aviv have now won the national basketball championship for the 14th year in a row.

## State revenue chief threatens to resign

Director of the State Revenue Administration Moshe Bartov has threatened to resign unless there is a drastic overhaul of the tax collection system.

He told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that the entire system is rotten from the foundations upward. Only a genius can find his way through the intricate income tax law, he said, adding that it needs to

be entirely rewritten. Bartov expressed disappointment with services given to the public and with opposition to attempts to unify income tax and indirect tax procedures.

Bartov, who headed the Airports Authority before joining the Treasury last August, is scheduled to hold his first press conference today.

## ARAFAT LEAVES

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withdraw from all occupied Arab land;

- a call for a coordinated stand between Jordan and the PLO at a forthcoming Arab summit;
- a call on Jordan and the PLO to adopt joint and unified political positions in efforts for peace in the Middle East.

Failure to issue the joint statement was attributed by observers in the Jordanian capital to possible differences among members of the PLO Executive Committee, which met in Amman late Monday to discuss the organization's position.

Arafat's projected visit to Riyadh is viewed as particularly important, as Saudi Arabia, which has played a key role in the latest phase of the PLO-Jordan dialogue, has reportedly cautioned Hussein not to enter the peace process now.

Saudi Arabia is apparently deeply sceptical about Washington's willingness or ability to bring effective pressure to bear on Israel — without which its Middle East peace initiative would have no chance.

Arafat told the press in Amman that "the attitude of President Reagan himself" would play a decisive role if the peace process were to gain momentum. He denounced Washington's "complete support" for the Israeli "junta" and its "crimes."

Meanwhile, King Hassan of Morocco yesterday dispatched envoys to several Arab capitals with invitations to a proposed summit in Morocco later this month.

According to observers in the

region, the summit would either endorse a PLO-Jordan agreement or pave the way for such an agreement — possibly by seeking to amend the Arab plan adopted at the last such summit in Fez last September to bring it more in line with the American initiative launched on the eve of that summit.

Syria yesterday said that it would oppose any effort to water down the Arab plan, which calls for an independent Palestinian state and a direct role for the PLO in any future negotiations.

Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal reportedly arrived in Amman last night, continuing his 10-day shuttle between the Jordanian and Saudi capitals.

## Cheysson to see Jemayel today

BEIRUT (Reuters). — French External Relations Minister Claude Cheysson arrives here today to meet the nine French ambassadors in the Middle East and for talks with Lebanese officials.

The main aim of his visit, French officials said, is to chair the ambassadors' meeting. They added that while Cheysson will have talks with President Amin Jemayel and other officials, he would not bring any specific French proposals on the Lebanese situation.

LADIES. — A course in spoken Arabic for the wives of Israeli diplomats started yesterday at the Ulpian Akiva in Netanya.



A zoo visitor holds onto a young kangaroo whose mother died of poisoning after eating food given her by visitors to the Jerusalem Biblical Zoo. The joey, whose photograph with his mother appeared in *The Post* two weeks ago, has been adopted by a group of friends of the zoo. (Yitzhak Elsharar)

## Shabbat ban not broken, says El Al temporary receiver

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — El Al's temporary receiver insisted yesterday that the national carrier's Sabbath flights for Cargo Airlines (CAL) had not violated the government's ban on El Al operations on those days.

Contesting this, Agudat Yisrael said the flights should be stopped. But Aguda MK Menahem Porush indicated that his party may not make an issue of it, partly because the flights are expected to end in mid-May.

According to the present arrangement, an El Al Boeing 747 flies agricultural produce to Cologne for CAL. The plane, in El Al's colours, is flown by the national carrier's crews.

Agudat Yisrael maintained that the flights on the Sabbath and on

Jewish holidays violate the coalition agreement which says "El Al planes will not take off, fly or land on the Sabbath and Jewish holidays."

Nevertheless, a statement that the airline's temporary receiver Amram Blum issued yesterday through the Justice Ministry's spokesman said that an examination showed that El Al was keeping to the agreement.

Accepting the argument that the disputed flights were CAL's and not El Al's, the receiver said "CAL operates its flights according to its own time-table and under its own responsibility." The planes were leased in October 1982 — two months before the temporary receiver was appointed — and the lease will expire in mid-May, the statement added. "You can't break contracts and agreements," Justice Ministry spokesman Yitzhak Feinberg said.

## Spanish-Israeli ties not imminent

Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez told Labour Party leader Shimon Peres that the question of a Labour Party spokesman in Tel Aviv last night.

Gonzalez and Peres met last night in Madrid.

Gonzalez reportedly said that it is the desire of the Spanish people that such ties be established. But Peres' impression was that "no immediate question of the PLO joining the international is 'not even under consideration.'" He said the PLO is neither a party nor socialist.

## FRANCE EXPELS

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to a Soviet trade official.

Informed sources said the highest-ranking of the 47 was counsellor Nikolai Chetverikov, number three in the embassy. Chetverikov has been described in recent French press reports as a senior intelligence officer.

The list also included the Paris bureau chief of the official Soviet news agency Tass Oleg Shirokov, who told reporters: "I feel offended, outraged. I consider this measure an offence to the whole journalistic profession."

The expelled personnel and their families, totalling about 150, were among 2,400 Soviet residents in Paris, 700 of whom have "diplomatic" passports.

The number, triple the level of 10 years ago, includes embassy staff, trade officials, journalists and representatives to Paris-based UN organizations.

As the expelled Russians were preparing to board mini-buses at the embassy in the fashionable 16th District, spokesman Alexander Avdeyev said the mission protested "against this totally unfounded and arbitrary decision."

There was no comment from Am-

bassador Yuri Vorontsov, regarded as one of the Soviet Union's most able diplomats. He was appointed to Paris late last year after serving in New Delhi.

Unconfirmed press reports said he had met Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy over the weekend to discuss the expulsions.

TASS provided early evidence of the new frostiness in Franco-Soviet relations by carrying an attack on French nuclear weapons tests in the South Pacific.

It said France had turned its Muroro Atoll into nothing more than a bomb testing site and the area was now suffering from nuclear contamination.

Until now the Soviet media has made little mention of the French testing programme and seldom criticized other aspects of France's defence policy, even when Paris announced it planned to develop neutron weapons.

AUDIENCE. — Spain's King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia will go to Rome for a private audience with Pope John Paul on Friday to thank him for the papal tour of Spain last November, a palace spokesman said.

## Policeman on trial for wireless matric fraud

TEL AVIV (Iim). — A police officer was charged in the local magistrates' court yesterday with fraud, after allegedly using a two-way radio to cheat on a mathematics matriculation examination.

Eitan Ciechanover was charged

with illegally broadcasting examination questions to alleged accomplices nearby, who radioed back the answers. This is the first case in which a policeman has been charged with using a radio to cheat on the high school-level exam.

## Mondale lashes at Reagan's attitude to U.S., Israel ties

By WOLF BLITZER  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Former U.S. vice president Walter Mondale yesterday unleashed a sharp attack on the Reagan administration's Middle East policies, charging that it has created the impression "that it neither understands nor values" the U.S. commitment to Israel.

"We cannot benefit from

weakening our special relationship with Israel," said Mondale, the current front-runner for next year's Democratic presidential nomination. "Policies that seek new alliances by antagonizing our oldest ally can end only by undermining our real interests throughout the Middle East."

Mondale, writing in *The Los Angeles Times*, said: (Continued on back page)

## Peled: N. Koreans never left the ground

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Post Defence Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Former air force commander Aluf (res) Benny Peled yesterday labelled North Korea's President Kim Il Sung "a liar" for saying his country's pilots had fought Israel in 1973.

According to an Agence France Presse report from North Korea, Kim Il Sung said at a dinner honouring visiting Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak that his country's pilots took part in air battles against Israel during the Yom Kippur War.

Peled, who was air force commander at the time, insisted, "They did not fight."

A squadron to a squadron and a half of North Korean pilots had gone to Egypt with their MiG 21s about a year before the war, he recalled. They trained a lot, but always avoided encountering the Israeli Air Force.

When the war began and they saw that the Arabs were in trouble, the North Koreans stayed put in their base at Bir Arida, North of Arava, Peled said.

## POISON

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representatives had found no evidence of poisoning during his visit to the West Bank.

Health Ministry director-general Prof. Baruch Modan said on Monday that ICRC representative Dr. Franz Altherr had determined the incident "a mass phenomenon with no organic basis."

But an ICRC spokesman in Geneva said that Altherr's mission was to ensure that hospitalized patients received adequate medical care and not to run an inquiry into the causes of the illness, according to Reuters.

Modan yesterday reiterated that no evidence of poisoning had been found in any tests in Israeli hospitals.

"We are on the edge of psychological warfare, if I may call it so," Modan told *The Post*. The "first level" of this, he explained, was "biological symptoms being misused for psychological purposes to create stress among the local population and to create hostile world opinion."

"On the second level, psychological pressure is being used to create biological symptoms," he said.

Meanwhile, the Alignment Knesset faction yesterday decided to set up a committee to investigate the poisoning.

Tat-Aluf Shlomo Ily, head of the Judea and Samaria Administration, said yesterday that a large number of people were being held as inciters.

Over the past two days, it had become increasingly clear that the so-called illness was the work of political agitators "cynically exploiting the fears of local schoolgirls and the international press," Ily said.

So far, security forces have been unable to point to any central figure or body as responsible for the alleged incitement. They say that the exploitation of the girl's fear was at a local and immediate level.

Birzeit University students began a hunger strike yesterday to protest

against the "poisoning" which they alleged were aimed at the "annihilation" of the Palestinian people.

Unrest was also reported from Ramallah where a number of Israeli cars were stoned and earlier in the morning three petrol bombs were hurled at the Jerico police station.

On Monday evening, another petrol bomb was thrown at soldiers patrolling the Jerico refugee camp. No injuries or damage were reported in any of these incidents.

The Jerico camp, under curfew until last Thursday, was again under curfew last night following the attack. Residents there have complained of a particularly tough attitude by the army which they claim, rounds up all male residents between 12 and 60 years of age, keeping them up until late at night.

Arab sources also report a clash between students and Jewish settlers at the Aras junction near Birzeit, during which the settlers fired in the air and detained five students.

There were also complaints that Kiryat Arba settlers, stopped and stoned at a roadblock in Halhoul, got out of their cars and hurled stones back at their attackers, smashing the windows of a house and a car. Police have confirmed this as well.

At the al-Makassed hospital in East Jerusalem, a 17-year-old Jewish youth died after receiving head injuries during a demonstration in the town ten days ago. Muhammad Nasser was first treated at the local hospital, but was transferred to Jerusalem after it became clear that he could not breathe without assistance and would probably not regain consciousness. Doctors said that he was struck on the back of the head by a blunt instrument and said that his family claimed a soldier had struck him with a bottle.

Military sources said that the youth was injured on March 27 by rocks thrown at the school where he was a student, probably to force the pupils to come out and demonstrate.

## Baby formed outside mother's womb

GENOA (Reuters). — Surgeons operating on a pregnant woman for a suspected tumour found that her apparently healthy baby had formed outside the womb, among the intestines.

Mirella Vassallo, 30, had suffered severe abdominal pains throughout her pregnancy and when she complained of a hard lump, doctors in Galliera Hospital suspected she had a tumour, said Dr. Massimo Guiglelmi.

The swelling turned out to be caused by the unborn child growing outside the womb and pressing against the uterus.

Surgeons delivered the baby, a 2.35 kilogram boy, by Caesarian section. The child was sound and apparently unaffected by his extremely rare gestation. The baby was put in an incubator.

"The egg was fertilized before it reached the Fallopian tube. Instead of travelling down the tube into the womb, it went astray and implanted itself successfully in the Douglas cavity, between the womb and the intestines," Guiglelmi said.

CENTRE. — A sports centre named after Lady Edith Wolfson, the late wife of Anglo-Jewish philanthropist Sir Isaac Wolfson, was opened last week at Kibbutz Lavi, Lower Galilee.

PRIZE PICTURES. — The Education Ministry has awarded 40 pupils prizes for outstanding illustrations on Bible themes, in an international contest which included nearly 6,000 entries.

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# Over 100,000 celebrate 'togetherness' Mimouna

By HAIM SHAPIRO  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Over 100,000 Israelis of every ethnic background and thousands of tourists from abroad gathered yesterday in Jerusalem's Sacher Park to help celebrate the Mimouna, the traditional holiday of Moroccan Jewry.

With a theme of "Togetherness," the festivities included performers ranging from contemporary kibbutz folk groups to a song group presenting the traditional music of the Atlas mountains. Stealing the show were a small boy and girl in the traditional dress of the Tatars, a Jewish tribe from the Caucasus, performing the dances of their community.

The minorities in Israel were represented by a Circassian dance group and recent immigrants by a group of Falashas, the Jews of Ethiopia.

One large area of the park was set aside for exhibitions relating to North African Jewry and other Jewish communities. Large crowds gathered around an exhibit by Eliahu Wahaba,

a herbal healer from Kiryat Shmona. Wahaba, who charges no fees for his healing, had a large bouquet of fresh herbs, together with packets of dried ones, ranging from the most familiar to the largely unknown.

Other tents exhibited paintings by Moroccan silversmiths, weavers and embroiderers. Treasured possessions, generations old, stood beside recently made hand-crafted articles. At one stand, an elderly silversmith and his young son worked side by side.

Other handicrafts included those of the Falashas, Persians, and Kurds. Yemenite women were busy making Jahneen, a speciality made with bread dough. Special booths were devoted to Soviet Jewry and to Prisoners of Zion from Iraq.

In the official part of the programme, preceded by music played by the Police Band, Prime Minister Menachem Begin, who was greeted with prolonged applause, said that the Mimouna had become the possession of all Israel. This was the gift of the Moroccan com-

munity, he said.

President Yitzhak Navon, who had last year urged the organizers of the festival to make it represent all of Israel, called on those present to love not just Israel, but the Children of Israel, not just aliya, but olim. Today's guests from abroad, he said, would be tomorrow's citizens.

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek noted that the first public Mimouna celebration was held the year he took office in 1965, with just a few thousand participants at the Sanhedria Park. He expressed satisfaction with the development of the festival.

In Morocco, said Moroccan revellers, each family would go out to celebrate the holiday in the countryside.

Some 50,000 Persian Jews yesterday gathered in the National Park in Ramat-Gan to celebrate their spring festival, called Roza Bagh.

Defence Minister Moshe Arens and Communications Minister Mordechai Zipori greeted the crowd.



Chief-of-Staff-designate, Aluf Moshe Levy, arrives at yesterday's Mimouna festivities in Jerusalem's Sacher Park. (Oded Avidan)

## Police: Yeshiva men plagued beaten-up woman's husband

By ROBERT ROSENBERG  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A Jerusalem police source confirmed yesterday that the husband of an Old City Arab woman, who was beaten unconscious on Sunday, had been harassed a number of times by religious Jews from a neighbouring yeshiva, who demanded that he and his wife leave their home.

In a related incident yesterday, nine students of the yeshiva were arrested. Fatma Abu Mayaleh was still in critical condition yesterday at Al Mukassas hospital in the Old City, and her doctor, Dr. Rustum Nammari said that she had been beaten with "quite a heavy blunt instrument."

The police have so far arrested no suspects, but The Jerusalem Post has learned that a student at Yeshivat Birkat Avraham next door to the woman's home, will soon be arrested on charges of harassing the woman's husband.

According to police sources, the Birkat Avraham yeshiva draws mainly newly observant Jews. A senior police source in Jerusalem said that many students at the yeshiva "are known to the police."

Yesterday at the yeshiva, nine students were arrested following an incident involving tussles with foreign cameramen, a rock fight with local Arab neighbours, and a scuffle with a Border Police officer.

The events unfolded when some foreign news photographers arrived at the yeshiva.

Students objecting to their presence poured buckets of water on them, but the water hit some Arab neighbours, who responded by tossing stones at the students.

The young men, in turn, threw rocks back at the Arabs, and for several minutes — while the photographers took pictures — Jews and Arabs fought in the narrow street.

When a Border Police officer appeared and tried to calm things down, he too was hit by stones thrown by the yeshiva students. After he called in reinforcements, nine of the students were arrested.

Abu Mayaleh, who is in her seventies, had still not fully regained consciousness last night in the Al Mukassas Hospital on Mount Scopus. The old woman, her head swathed in bandages, has clearly been badly beaten and cut and her face, throat and arms are covered with deep purple bruises and welts.

In the ward next door, a neighbour, Nafez Abu Maizer, 20, who was also beaten up when he went into her home on Akhbat al Khaliye street inside the Old City, said last night that he has still not been questioned by police about the incident.

Abu Maizer, who works part-time at the Al Fajr newspaper, said that he assumed that this was because he had not filed a complaint with the police, but he was adamant that he would not do so because the yeshiva students would attack him again.

## Judge turns down remand for Meir Kahane's nephew

By ROBERT ROSENBERG  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Declaring that "rock throwing is as dangerous" as shooting a rifle, Juvenile Court judge Avraham Ben Hador yesterday released the 17-year-old nephew of Kach leader Rabbi Meir Kahane on bond after police charged the youth with firing an Uzi submachine-gun at a crowd of Arabs in the Old City of Jerusalem on Sunday night.

Rejecting a police request for the youth's remand until the end of court proceedings against him, Ben Hador wrote that "rock throwing has become a norm of behaviour, unacceptable in Israeli society. The judge also turned down a police move to appeal his decision.

Kahane's nephew was charged with careless use of a weapon. He was arrested about half an hour after an incident to which police have a number of witnesses, apparently including two soldiers. Police sources have said that the suspect "did not shoot into the air," when he acted against a group of

Arabs throwing stones at him and other Jews in the Old City.

The suspect has no licence for the weapon. His lawyer contended in court yesterday that the Uzi, now held by police, was given to the youth by his Hebron yeshiva apparently by permission of the authorities in the West Bank.

Nahman Kahane, the boy's father, said that his son had acted "to save his life and the lives of Jews," and that in the end, his son would get "a medal for what he did."

A police source said that police will study the regulations governing the distribution of weapons to minors studying at the suspect's yeshiva.

The suspect's name cannot be published because he is under age. His trial will begin next month.

The boy's father and eight other Jewish Quarter residents were released from police custody yesterday afternoon. They were arrested on Monday, while demonstrating outside the Russian Compound for the boy's release.

## Arabs protest against Land Day detentions

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — Saknin local council decided on Monday to protest against the arrests and questioning of dozens of local residents since Land Day last week.

In the past ten days, Galilee police have detained or questioned some 40 people on suspicion of raising Palestinian flags or disturbing the peace.

Fourteen of those detained were remanded yesterday for between 5 and 15 days by the Acre Magistrates Court.

In Nazareth, the Magistrates Court this week imposed an IS1,000 fine and a two month suspended jail sentence on Munim Jarjoura, a local Communist leader convicted of assaulting a policeman four years ago. His attorney will reportedly appeal the verdict.

## Civil Guard weapons are stolen in Bat Yam

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Thirteen carbines, ammunition clips and communications equipment were stolen from a Civil

Guard armoury in Bat Yam during the weekend.

Police are investigating whether there was a guard on duty.

## Soroka paramedics told to take vacations now

By LIORA MORIEL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Some 30 technicians and paramedics at Soroka Hospital have been asked to take their vacations immediately.

David Tagar, spokesman for Kupat Holim Klalit, (the Histradut's health fund), said this is because most of the fund's 30,000 paramedics are idle and demoralized due to the doctors' strike.

He noted that many of them had accumulated hundreds of hours of overtime, and he stressed "There is no decision to fire them."

But two veteran professors at the hospital did receive dismissal notices during the Pessah holiday. They are Prof. Eliahu Lehman and Prof. Yosef Stern, both 68.

Lehman has been practising in

Beersheba for 33 years, 30 of them as head of the internal medicine department. When he was due to retire three years ago, the health fund asked him to carry on as adviser to the department and to clinics in nearby development towns.

"It is obvious this has something to do with the doctor's strike. This is one way in which the fund is threatening the doctors," Lehman commented yesterday.

Stern, a former director and administrator of the hospital, who has been working part-time in the internal medicine department, said he had received a call from "a senior sick fund source" telling him his letter of dismissal was "a mistake."

Last night Beersheba residents said they were organizing a committee to fight the doctors' dismissals.

## Religious attack victim regains consciousness

By ROBERT ROSENBERG  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Dr. Uzi Ritte, hospitalized in a coma after being stoned while driving into a religious Jerusalem neighbourhood last Friday night, was transferred yesterday from the intensive care ward to the neurosurgery department at Hadassah Hospital in Ein Kerem. A hospital spokeswoman said he has regained consciousness.

Ritte, a senior lecturer at the Hebrew University's genetics department, was injured when his car was attacked by Jewish zealots in Geula, just west of Mea Shearim.

According to the reports yesterday, the usual police barrier put up on Friday nights at the entrance to Rehov Ezra, the main road leading

through the ultra-Orthodox neighbourhood, was not in place last Sabbath-even. No arrests have yet been made.

Meanwhile, in a related development, Haim Krishevsky, 23, of the Geula quarter, charged with assault, malicious damage and other crimes, pleaded not-guilty yesterday at the Jerusalem Magistrates Court.

Krishevsky was arrested last Friday night after allegedly taking part in an ultra-Orthodox raid on an apartment in the neighbourhood.

According to the police, the raid on the apartment, which was destroyed in a fire allegedly set by Krishevsky and others, was the result of the displeasure of local zealots "with the lifestyle of the apartment's residents."

Krishevsky's trial continues.

## Lake Kinneret almost full

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Lake Kinneret, the country's principal reservoir, has risen to within 50 centimetres of its maximum level of 209 metres below sea level. During the next month, it is likely to rise at least another 30 cms., "and we might just make the maximum level," Director of the Kinneret Administration, Menashe Ben-Shlomo, told The Jerusalem Post yesterday. Although the official rainy season is over, he did not rule out the possibility of more flash showers. "We are very satisfied," he said.

At the beginning of winter, the lake was down to a disastrous 211.70 m. below sea level, and even the greatest optimists had not expected so fine a turn around, he said.

Ben-Shlomo said the water now flowing into the lake comes from the Upper Galilee springs and raises the water level about one cen-

timetre daily, which is equivalent to 1.7 million cubic metres. Only an unusually heavy sharav, causing an immediate need for large-scale irrigation, will stop this rise, he said.

In addition, the Mt. Hermon snow which is beginning to melt, will make its way into the Dan River during the summer, eventually flowing into the lake. But this will not affect the lake's level because by that time pumping of water southward for irrigation will be in full swing.

Galilee farmers will also be able to use the water from the snow to irrigate their fields, thus leaving the large reservoirs of rainwater collected during the winter for use next year.

The winter's unusually heavy rainfall has also made it possible to use Kinneret water to replenish coastal wells and aquifers.

## Lahat breaks 2 ribs in bathroom fall

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mayor Shlomo Lahat slipped in the bathroom of his Afeka home on Friday, but despite the pain, continued with his busy schedule.

Chest pains increased yesterday morning and Lahat went to hospital for a checkup which showed that two ribs were broken.

From the hospital, Lahat went to

the Mimouna celebrations at the Fair Grounds where he mentioned his accident in his speech. MK Yitzhak Rabin, who spoke after Lahat, told him that the incident was an omen that he would become prime minister. "While I was prime minister, I slipped in the bathroom and broke a collar bone. Prime Minister Menachem Begin also slipped in the bathroom and broke his hip," Rabin said.

## Two bombs explode harmlessly in Sidon area

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Two bombs exploded yesterday in the Sidon area in Southern Lebanon without causing any casualties.

The first, believed to be a medium-sized charge, blew up at about 11 a.m. in Sidon's central square, shortly after an Israeli car passed by. The car was not damaged.

About an hour later, a blue Mercedes exploded in the centre of the Ein Hilwe refugee camp, slightly damaging nearby houses.

Israeli soldiers and troops of Major Sa'ad Haddad's South Lebanon militia searched the area throughout the day.

## Druse seek reunion of families from Lebanon

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — Representatives of the Druse community have asked the government to let several hundred Lebanese Druse return to their former villages in the Galilee, in accordance with the family reunion scheme.

The Israeli Druse said that their relatives had moved to Lebanon before 1948 or were living there

temporarily, when the 1948 War of Independence prevented their return. Others, who at first volunteered to fight against the Jews in 1948, but later deserted their units and joined the Israel Defence Forces, left large families in Lebanon or Syria.

Officials who deal with the Druse community declined to comment, "since the subject is very delicate."



Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir shakes hands with Venezuela's Minister of Agriculture Nydia Villejas de Rodriguez in his office yesterday. (Zoom 77)

## Postal official blames slow mail on foreigners

By YITZHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — If the airmail letter you receive from abroad is only two weeks old, then you are lucky Eitan Lachman, Director of Postal Services told The Jerusalem Post yesterday.

Lachman said that airmail is taking as long and even longer because the U.S. and other countries collect a quantity of mail for several days and only then it is sent to Israel.

A letter with an unclear address or in an oversized envelope can cause even slower delivery, he said. Lachman added that the recent holidays may cause a slight extra delay in the mail, but in a day or two this backlog will be wiped out.

He also claimed that domestic

mail reaches all destinations in three to four days.

Officials of the Federation of Israeli Chambers of Commerce were recently told by the postal service that everything possible would be done to move commercial mail faster, even if it is not in the standard-sized envelopes which make automatic sorting possible.

The postal officials admitted to the businessmen that towards the end of 1982 and the start of this year, mail delivery was delayed because of an acute manpower shortage and problems with some of the automated sorting machines. Lachman said these problems had been solved. In addition, dozens of new workers were being trained.

He also said that businessmen had been advised to use post office boxes to speed up delivery.

## Clashes feared over Bnei Brak show

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BNEI BRAK. — Disturbances, possibly involving violence are expected at the Labour Council's "Mofet" club here this evening, as ultra-orthodox circles plan to demonstrate against tonight's scheduled show, "Beer and Good Cheer."

Large notices calling for a demonstration against the "disgusting show" have been posted in Bnei Brak, whose haredim have often vandalized the Labour Council headquarters and club.

Labour Council secretary David Zehut said yesterday that the programme is a talk show in which host Ya'acov Agmon will interview MK Akiva Nof, former Mossad head Meir Amit, and sociologist Mina Zeman. Singer Uri Shevah is scheduled also to appear.

Since the Mofet club, located at the Labour Council headquarters,

began operating a few months ago, it has been under ultra-orthodox attack. The council's library was burnt down three times and Zehut and other council officials are continually threatened on the telephone.

A few weeks ago, a scheduled performance by Habera Hativit, the oriental music group, was cancelled when the police issued a closure order for the club, after ultra-orthodox residents threatened to disrupt the performance.

The Labour Council has always organized programmes in Bnei Brak, but ultra-orthodox objections to its activities became more persistent when the programmes were brought under the Mofet club's aegis.

The Labour Council will soon appeal to the High Court of Justice against the municipality, which has ignored council requests for an operating licence.

## TA warning on dangers of Jaffa mosque

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — If Jaffa Arabs hold a mass prayer meeting in the Hassan Bek mosque on Friday, there may be a disaster because the mosque is in danger of collapse, Tel Aviv Municipality spokesman Roni Rimon warned yesterday.

He based his warning on city engineers' findings that the structure is unstable. Municipal engineers ruled that the floor was dangerous a year and a half ago, prior to a mass prayer meeting held then.

The Mosque's minaret collapsed on Saturday morning and city engineers blamed material fatigue and corrosion.

The mosque was built between 1911 and 1917.

The Ministry for Religious Af-

fairs is expected this morning to announce when renovation will begin.

The chairman of the Jaffa Waki (Muslim religious trust) Abed Kabub, and the Jewish and Muslim engineers appointed to supervise the renovation yesterday met ministry representative, Dr. Nissim Dana.

"We learned at yesterday's meeting that there are no plans drawn up to renovate the mosque, despite Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat's statements that the city had approved such plans and that the Religious Affairs Ministry was holding up renovation," the ministry's spokesman said yesterday.

He said that the ministry had budgeted funds for the renovation long ago, but was waiting for the municipality to complete the plans. Rimon countered by saying that the city had not gone ahead with plans for renovation, because the ministry had not made funds available.

If the money were to arrive now, Rimon said, the plans could be completed within three months.

Meanwhile, Jaffa Arabs will soon start readying the stones from the fallen minaret for rebuilding, a meeting of representatives of several organizations of Jaffa Arabs, the Waki and kadis (religious judges) decided yesterday.

Kabub said he would ask the municipality for a permit to rebuild, independent of the overall renovation.

## Village league leaders can attend peace parley

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEIT SHEAN. — West Bank village league leaders have been permitted to attend a peace symposium here tonight, after the civil administration yesterday reversed its decision to bar them from the event.

The symposium, on the theme "Yes to peace — no to terrorism," is being organized by members of various kibbutzim in the Beit Shean area.

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## Iran, Iraq ministers to attend oil slick talks

KUWAIT (Reuters). — The giant oil slick threatening widespread pollution in the Persian Gulf was reported yesterday to stretch almost the entire length of the Gulf, and ministers from eight countries in the region were due in Kuwait for crisis talks on how to disperse it.

Kuwaiti Health Minister Abdel-Rahman Al-Awadi told parliament that ministers from all the Gulf states, including Iran and Iraq, who have been at war for two-and-a-half years, would attend the meeting today.

Oil pouring from Iranian wells, which Tehran says were shattered by Iraqi forces, threatens to cause havoc to marine life and vital industrial plants.

Iraq on Monday offered a limited ceasefire to allow repair crews to cap the wells in Iran's Nowruz field, north-west of Kharg Island. Tehran's first reaction to the offer was cool.

Conference sources said the key to stemming the flow from the wells was held by Iraq, which would have to guarantee safe passage to rescue crews entering the Nowruz field.

Experts plotting the slick's

progress, said wind and currents had pushed the oil away from the Arabian Peninsula towards Iran.

Pollution experts from the Gulf nations agreed on Monday that they can't take gulf-wide action until Iran and Iraq agree on a ceasefire, a spokesman reported. They were expected to press their two warring neighbours for a truce at the ministers' meeting today.

## Algeria and Morocco ease travel restrictions

ALGIERS (AP). — Algerian residents in Morocco and Moroccan residents in Algeria will be allowed to travel freely between the two countries beginning tomorrow, officials announced on Monday.

Such residents previously have needed permission from their host country to visit their home country. It will be the first time unrestricted travel has been allowed for such residents since Morocco and Algeria broke diplomatic relations seven years ago over the war in the western Sahara.

## Shuttle-launched satellite spins out of control

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida (AP). — The world's largest and most expensive communications satellite tumbled out of control for several hours yesterday after release from the space shuttle Challenger. Space agency officials reported they had regained command, but it was unclear how effective the satellite could be.

The question was whether ground controllers could maneuver the half-ton, \$100 million satellite to its planned stationary orbit 35,887 kilometres high. Trackers estimated the payload was in a distorted orbit ranging from 22,530 to 35,400 km. high, and it could not be fully effective on that path.

Experts consulted computers to determine if stabilizing gas jets aboard the tracking and data relay satellite could be used to shift the craft into stationary position.

"There is some possibility it could be done," said Julian Levine, spokesman for TRW, which built the TDRS.

Challenger commander Paul Weitz and his crewmen, pilot Karol Bobko and mission specialists Story Musgrave and Donald Peterson, who had ejected the satellite from their cargo bay late on Monday, were in sleeping period when the trouble began.

An hour after the satellite was deployed, the rocket fired successfully to propel the package on its way to the high outpost.

The problem arose about 11:00 GMT after the rocket ignited a second time, to try to arrest the satellite in the stationary outpost. The resulting egg-shaped orbit indicates an engine misfire, which sent the satellite tumbling with the rocket stage attached.

After several hours of suspense, mission control in Houston, Texas, calculated a way to separate the heavy rocket stage from the satellite and then to command the small jets to halt the tumbling motion.

"We have gained control of the TDRS satellite," National Aeronautics and Space Administra-

tion spokesman Jim Kukowski reported. "We have initiated deployment activity and we are able to confirm it has separated from its rocket stage."

"The TDRS appears to be stable and we are told the solar panels are being unfurled," another agency spokesman said. The panels unfurl to a wingspan of 17 metres to capture the sun's rays and convert them to electrical power.

Moments earlier there had appeared little hope of salvaging the satellite, which is crucial to the future schedule of shuttle launches. Its deployment was the major goal of the mission, helping establish the U.S. shuttle fleet as a dependable carrier of military, scientific and commercial cargo.

## Kuwaiti minister says OPEC pricing is holding

KUWAIT (AP). — Kuwaiti Oil Minister Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah said OPEC's latest pricing decision was holding and the danger of a world price war had passed.

"The danger of a price war has not only subsided, it is non-existent," said Ali in an interview with the Associated Press and The Washington Post at the parliament building here.

His comments reflected growing confidence among Arab oil producers that last month's decision to cut oil prices from \$34 to \$29 per barrel and limit production to 17.5 million barrels daily was holding.

Similar optimism has been expressed in recent days by the oil ministers of the United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia.

Sheikh Ali commended the British National Oil Company's decision last week to cut its \$30.50 price by 75-50 cents a barrel and Nigeria's

decision to hold firm on its \$30 a barrel price.

There had been fears that a bigger British cut would set off another downward spiral.

Ali said "both parties" in OPEC — an apparent reference to the cartel's moderate and radical factions — showed considerable restraint in avoiding a price war.

He said Iran, which undercut OPEC's price before the agreement, was currently resisting demands by Japanese buyers to sell at the free market price.

He described the current period as a time of testing, when consumers were holding out on purchases in hope of breaking the \$29 price and forcing OPEC to sell at free market prices.

He said no industrial nations were signing contracts with oil producers, and spot market sales were also decreasing.

## Sikh leader demands probe into demonstration deaths

NEW DELHI (Reuters). — The militant Sikh leader in India's northern state of Punjab yesterday demanded an inquiry by a high court judge into what he said was indiscriminate firing by police on demonstrators on Monday.

Harchand Singh Longowal told reporters in the Sikh holy city of Amritsar that as many as 38 Sikh protesters had been killed by police, the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency said.

In parliament, the government said 20 people had died and 230 were injured in clashes between police and demonstrators. The clashes occurred during an eight-hour road blockade protest organized to press Sikh political and religious demands.

Home (Interior) Minister P.C. Sethi said 15 people were shot by police and the five others died when demonstrators stampeded during a police baton charge.

He defended the role of the police, saying they had exercised restraint and patience. They had resorted to force in the face of what he called unprovoked violence and

arson at a number of places in the state.

Demonstrators' blocking roads had confronted police with swords, spears and guns and had caused considerable damage to property, he said. At least 175 policemen were injured.

Longowal demanded the immediate withdrawal of units from the Central Reserve Police Force, a para-military force controlled from Delhi, and said there could be fresh trouble if they were not pulled out.

In parliament, Indian opposition parties called for new talks to ease simmering tension in the Punjab, a wealthy farming state where most of India's 12 million Sikhs live.

Prime Minister Indira Gandhi has said she would accept a number of religious demands, including the right of Sikhs to carry sacred daggers on domestic flights.

Political demands not accepted include greater autonomy for the Punjab; incorporation of contiguous Punjab-speaking areas into the state and concessions on river water rights.

## Two roll to freedom over Berlin Wall

BERLIN. — Two young East Germans managed a rare escape over the Berlin Wall by swooping along a steel cable strung between rooftops on opposite sides of the border, police said yesterday.

The daring night flight occurred last Thursday, but was kept secret until now for undisclosed "security reasons," a police spokesman said.

A West Berlin accomplice made the escape possible by securing the 82 metre cable to the rooftop of a West Berlin house and using his car to provide the necessary tension.

Authorities said the two men, ages 23 and 24, secured their end of

the cable to the roof of a six-storey house near the Wall in East Berlin's Treptow district.

They then grasped a hand-wheel attached to the cable and rolled over the border and onto the lower West Berlin rooftop.

Neither the escapees nor their accomplice were identified.

A newspaper report said one of the men had been captured several years ago when he tried to escape across the Hungarian-Austrian border. He was sentenced in East Germany to 20 months in jail (AP, Reuters).

## Kidnapped champion horse fails to show up

DUBLIN (Reuters). — The kidnapped champion racehorse Shergar failed to appear yesterday after weekend claims claiming a ransom had been paid and that he would be released in the morning.

Police posted an extra guard on the Aga Khan's Ballymany stud, west of Dublin, from where the £10 million (£1600m.) horse was snatched on February 8, but said they were sceptical about the calls.

An anonymous caller on Friday, April Fool's Day, threatened to leave Shergar's head at Dublin's Phoenix Park racecourse unless a £1.5m. (£188m.) ransom was paid by the following morning.

The next day a caller, believed to be the same man, told Irish Radio that the ransom had been paid and the horse, winner of the English and Irish Derbys, would be released on Tuesday (yesterday).

## London cash robbery may be biggest ever

LONDON (AP). — Scotland's Yard's Flying Squad combed London yesterday for a six-man shotgun gang that stole "a mountain of money" from a security firm's headquarters in an Easter raid.

Newspapers quoted police sources and employees of the company, Security Express, as saying that the hooded gunmen may have got away with as much as £7 million.

A Security Express spokesman declined comment on that estimate. A Scotland Yard spokesman commented: "They got a hell of a lot. It was a mountain of money."

Detectives were baffled by how the gunmen got past elaborate security systems into the four-storey building.

As forensic experts checked the building, Flying Squad detectives under Commander Frank Cater, one of the Yard's top gangbusters, scoured London's East End for members of three families suspected of masterminding many of London's robberies. This year, a

record 1,772 robberies netted thieves £12m.

In Monday's crime, the bandits overpowered employees at gunpoint and ransacked vaults in the building on the fringe of London's financial district.

The vaults were stuffed with used banknotes collected before the four-day Easter weekend from banks, supermarkets and other businesses. Police said they did not believe any of the stolen notes could be traced because no numbers had been recorded.

Security Express is a subsidiary of the British De La Rue Group, the world's largest banknote printers, which also handles cash movements for London's big banks, including the Bank of England.

If the estimate of Monday's haul is correct, it will exceed Britain's biggest previous cash theft, the 1963 great train robbery when £2.6m. was stolen.

The biggest bank holdup was in April 1975 when a gang stole jewels,



Shlomo Kirat of Betar Jerusalem heads the ball past a despairing Aryeh Haviv, goalkeeper of Yehud, in the cup tie at the YMCA yesterday. (Yossi Zamir)

## Mugabe condemns senator's murder

HARARE (Reuters). — Prime Minister Robert Mugabe expressed revulsion yesterday at the murder of a white Zimbabwean senator, his daughter and a British visitor, and promised that the killers would be hunted down ruthlessly.

He also said in a statement that his government, as a matter of urgency, would provide farmers with weapons for their defence and help them to set up a guard system.

Zimbabwe's 4,800 white farmers are essential for the economic well-being of the country, one of the few in black Africa capable of feeding itself and producing a surplus for export.

Senator Paul Savage, 60, his daughter, Colleen, 20, and a friend from Britain, Sandra Bennett, were shot by a raiding party of between 20 and 30 rebels as the family enjoyed a barbecue on their ranch in the remote south-western province of Matabeleland on Sunday night.

Savage's wife, Betty, was wounded and is in a hospital in nearby Bulawayo.

"The government shall leave no stone unturned in its efforts, already under way, to track down, apprehend and bring to justice those responsible for this heinous act," Mugabe said.

## Relatives of war dead off to Falklands

LONDON. — More than 500 relatives of British servicemen killed in the Falklands war with Argentina left yesterday to visit graves and battlefields in the islands.

The 530 wives, children and other relatives left by air for Uruguay, where they will board the liner Cunard Countess for the four-day voyage to the Falklands.

The cost of the trip has been paid by the government and British Airways.

A florist on board the Countess will fashion nearly a ton of flowers into wreaths for relatives to drop in the sea or place on graves.

Meanwhile, The Guardian newspaper reported yesterday that the government "intends to push ahead urgently" with building an international airport at or near Port Stanley in the Falklands. It said the government plans to start work on the airport in September. The airport is considered necessary because the existing facility cannot take long-range jets. (Reuters, AP)

## U.S. barmaid in Berne found spying for Libya

BERNE (Reuters). — Alexandra Lincoln, an American woman living in this Swiss city has been given a 10-week suspended prison sentence for spying for Libya, her lawyer said yesterday.

The sentence was imposed at a closed trial two weeks ago, but could be made public only after a deadline for appeals expired.

Lincoln, 30, a former barmaid at a Berne hotel, was found guilty of gathering information from Swiss members of parliament and government officials and passing it to the Libyan charge d'affaires in Berne.

VISIT. — Soviet Defence Minister Marshal Dmitri Ustinov arrived yesterday on an "official, friendly visit" to East Germany, East German media reported.

## Sports

### Betar do it again

Post Sports Staff  
Betar Jerusalem's winning streak did not desert them in yesterday's cup tie against Yehud at the YMCA ground in the capital, as they won 1-0. Once again the reliable head of Shlomo Kirat was responsible for the victory, as he soared above the Yehud defenders to head in a goal in the 43rd minute. Betar now face Hapoel Tel Aviv in the quarter-finals.

## Play 'ball'

NEW YORK (AP). — The Cincinnati Reds, the worst of the West in 1982, knocked off the Atlanta Braves, the Division's best a year ago, 5-4 on Monday in the National League's opener to the 1983 major league baseball season.

Eddie Milner's two-out single and stolen base and Dave Concepcion's single off reliever Steve Bedrosian broke the bottom of the eighth inning. Winner Mario Soto allowed five hits and four runs in eight innings. Tom Hume picked up the save.

In the only other afternoon game, the American League opener, George Brett's two-run homer and solo shots by Willie Aikens and Jerry Martin powered the Kansas City Royals past the Baltimore Orioles 7-2.

The game in Cincinnati, the traditional opening-day site in the NL, drew 42,892 fans in superb baseball weather. It was the first time in 11 years at Riverfront Stadium that the Reds' opener has not been a sellout. The Braves, who set a big-league record last year by winning the first 13 games, got a run in the first inning on Claudell Washington's sacrifice fly and two in the second on Chris Chambliss' homer.

The Reds got two back in the bottom of the second on Ron Oester's homer. Atlanta made it 4-2 in the sixth when Soto batted Glenn Hubbard home, and Cincinnati tied it in the bottom of the sixth on Rookie Gary Redus' homer, Concepcion's walk and stolen base and Johnny Bench's single.

Mike Richardt and Larry Parrish hit solo home runs to boost Texas to a 5-3 victory over the Chicago White Sox, a successful debut for rangers manager Doug Rader.

In Oakland, Andre Thornton hit a three-run homer on his first swing of the season and the Cleveland Indians gave their new manager, Mike Ferraro, an 8-5 victory, routing Steve Boros' major-league managerial debut with the A's. Toby Harrah led the Indians' 15-hit attack with four and Rick Manning and Ron Hassey added three apiece.

## Order of the boot

BONN (Reuters). — Borussia Dortmund, shock victims of a 5-0 semifinal cup hammering on Monday by Second Division Fortuna Cologne, said today they had sacked trainer Karl-Heinz Feldkamp.

Borussia were chasing a league and cup double until a fortnight ago, but their championship hopes were dashed by two consecutive league defeats.

Feldkamp is the sixth West German trainer to lose his job this season.

## Test washout

GEORGETOWN, Guyana (AP). — The third Test between the West Indies and India headed for an inevitable draw on the fifth and final day, after the fourth day was completely washed out by rain. India at lunch had scored 186 for 2 in reply to the West Indies total of 470 (scored from 468 by the umpires). Small Gavester had scored 58 not out.

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**Yad Vashem Heroes and Martyrs Remembrance Authority**

On Sunday, April 10, Heroes and Martyrs Remembrance Day, there will be a national ceremony at Yad Vashem to mark the 40th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising. The ceremony will take place in the presence of the President of the State, and with the participation of members of the government.

**Address: Menachem Begin, the Prime Minister**

Wreaths will be laid at the Ghetto Uprising Remembrance Wall by delegations from all over the country: national and public institutions, immigrants' organizations, organizations of destroyed communities and of former refugees, representatives of settlements in the Jerusalem region, and of local councils from the whole of the country — who are hereby invited to participate in the wreath laying.

Organizations that wish to participate should inform the Atsma Company, Tel. 02-244317, of their intention by Friday.

Handwritten text in Hebrew: "התאחדות הספורטאים היהודים" (The Jewish Sports Association)



## MEDAL OF VALOUR

Segen Mordechai Goldman — Infantry

Deputy commander of the force that captured the Beaufort Castle. Segen Goldman's force was commanded to take the northern positions. While moving toward the objective, the force was attacked, resulting in several casualties. When the remaining force reached the objective and entered the enemy's trenches two more soldiers were hit, but despite the few men he had left under his command, Segen Goldman decided to continue with the battle.

He personally led his men, running on the outside of the trench, hurling grenades and engaging enemy forces. He was often compelled to return to the main body of his men for more ammunition, and he continued fighting until the position was captured. During the actual fighting, Goldman's company commander was hit. Goldman assumed command and successfully captured the position.

**Seren Moshe Krawitz — Armour**  
At the outbreak of the war, Seren Krawitz was a deputy company commander in an armoured force that was charged with leading an infantry battalion into battle.

Near Halde, on the outskirts of Beirut, his company was ambushed and sustained several hits from anti-tank missiles. Among the tanks hit was that of the company commander, and Seren Krawitz assumed command.

While still under intense enemy fire, Krawitz reached the commander's tank, extricated the crews of the other two tanks that had been hit and re-assembled his force at a spot that gave cover from the incoming missiles.

While re-organizing the force, Krawitz's own tank was hit, but he continued fighting. His tank then sustained a second hit that left one of the crew members injured. He ordered the crew to leave and make for a safe position.

While leading his crew to safety, Krawitz noticed that the driver of the tank was missing. He returned to his tank under intense enemy fire, and while attempting to bring it to safety sustained three more hits.

Despite the fact that Krawitz was injured, he continued to bring in wounded men from the area of the ambush, all this under constant enemy fire.

## THE EXEMPLARY CONDUCT MEDAL

Rav-Turbi Boeiyah Blum — Infantry

Rav-Turbi Blum served as a signals man with an infantry company. While attacking enemy positions north of the Beaufort, several members of his company were hit while crossing a mine-field. He volunteered to enter the mine-field to extricate the wounded.

He entered the field twice, bringing back two wounded men. On the third attempt, one of the mines exploded and Rav-Turbi Blum was injured in the legs.

He remained wounded in the field for some three hours, all the time encouraging the other wounded and ensuring them that all would be well.

**Rav-Turbi Yaron Leviness — Air Force**

During the war, Rav-Turbi Leviness was the driver of an armoured personnel carrier equipped with anti-aircraft weapons that was attached to forces leading the attack on the Coastal Road.

During an attack north of the Beirut Airport, the commander of Leviness's vehicle was hit. He assumed command, contacted the battalion commander and informed him that he had matters under control and was supervising the evacuation of casualties.

He left the relative safety of the personnel carrier and personally extricated wounded from the area until he was himself injured in the face and legs.

**Rav-Seren Dr. Baruch Margalit — Medical Corps**

During the war, Dr. Margalit served as the brigade physician in a unit that operated first on the eastern front and then in the Beirut area.

On the night of August 3, a number of men were wounded in the vicinity of the museum in Beirut. They continued to be exposed to enemy fire.

Rav-Seren Margalit reached the wounded, gave them medical aid, and then successfully organized their evacuation — all the while under enemy fire.

**Samal-Rishon Zvi Reiterbandt — Infantry**

During the war, Samal-Rishon Reiterbandt served with a unit that was stationed near the Beirut stadium. As a result of an accident, ammunition aboard one of the armoured personnel carriers in his unit exploded, endangering other vehicles nearby.

He took it upon himself to put out the fire and to drive nearby vehicles to safety.

**Seren Mishne Ram Alon — Armour**  
During the war, he served as the driver in a company commander's tank. In the battle at el-Ein Tina, south of Karoun, his tank was hit and started to burn.

He managed to pull himself out of the driver's seat, climbed onto the turret and, despite heavy machine-gun fire, continued to attempt to help his comrades out of the burning tank.

When he discovered that he could not do this alone, he ran for help, dodging machine-gun fire and grenades, eventually reaching a nearby tank. He climbed aboard and alerted the commander to his comrades' situation.

Segen Eitan Barkai — Armour

Segen Barkai served as a deputy company commander during the war. In the battle around Beirut, an infantry personnel carrier was hit and started to explode.

Segen Barkai, despite the personal risk, left his tank, made his way over to the burning personnel carrier on foot and started to extricate the crew. While doing so, he was injured and lost the sight in one eye.

**Seren Dr. Moshe Daniel — Medical Corps**

A brigade physician in the Armoured division, Seren Daniel's unit was attacked by enemy aircraft south of Lake Karoun and many soldiers were injured. Most of the injured soldiers took cover, expecting an additional attack. Seren Daniel remained calm despite the large number of casualties, and immediately organized the care and evacuation of the injured. He himself extricated a wounded man from a burning ammunition truck, which shortly after exploded.

**Samal Rishon Uri Hochstetter — Armour**

A tank commander, his tank was hit near Tyre, but he was able to overcome the mechanical difficulties caused by the attack and continued to fight. His tank was hit again near Kfar Ceil, near Beirut, but he again continued to fight, at night, and destroyed a number of enemy tanks. In Beirut, his tank was hit a third time and started to burn, but he put out the fire himself and continued to fight.

**Seren Shmuel Farkash — Infantry**  
A company commander in an infantry brigade, Segen Farkash participated in the attack and capture of a target north of Beaufort. His men were assigned the task of making the first attack on the target under covering fire from another company. In the course of the fighting the platoon commander was injured and another company became entrapped in a minefield, complicating the plan of attack. Despite all this, he led his men against the target and managed to capture and secure it.

**COMMAND GENERAL'S CITATIONS FOR COURAGE, LOYALTY AND DEVOTION TO DUTY.**

**Samal Aharon Tubal**

A company sergeant in an engineers' brigade, his company came under heavy enemy fire on the outskirts of Beirut. Despite the fact that he was wounded, he extricated his company, including the wounded, from the danger area and evacuated them to safety under enemy fire.

**Samal Meir Azaria**  
A bulldozer operator in the engineers' corps he opened up passages in what were impassable areas, driving his bulldozer under heavy fire. He filled an anti-tank trench and cleared minefields. When his tractor was hit and destroyed, he joined the spearhead forces and remained with them for several days.

**Seren Boaz Ben-Uri**  
Deputy-commander of a platoon in an infantry brigade, he commanded a battle against the Syrian commando, inflicting serious damages on the enemy. At a certain point, cut off from their brigade, he and his men engaged enemy tanks and managed to prevent a tank attack on the Israeli forces.

**Rav-Seren Tubal Gvirtzman**  
Commander of a platoon of tanks, he led the division, destroying a large number of enemy tanks. He lost his life while attempting to extricate wounded comrades from a burning armoured personnel carrier.

**Rav-Seren Yehiel Gozal**  
Platoon commander in an infantry brigade, his unit encountered a complicated and extensive minefield, which caused them to halt. Despite poor illumination, he independently cleared the minefield. He was an example to his platoon.

**Seren Eyal Gur-Arieh**  
Commander of a platoon in a tank brigade, Segen Gur-Arieh assumed command of a brigade south of Bahadoun when the deputy commander of the brigade was wounded. He led it in heavy fighting, capturing the objective. He maintained command until the following day when a new brigade commander arrived.

**Rav-Turbi Yoram Gass**  
A medic in an infantry brigade, when some members of the attacking forces were injured in a minefield north of Beaufort and other soldiers were injured while attempting to extricate the wounded, he volunteered to enter the minefield and attend the wounded. While he was doing so another mine exploded causing him severe injury. Despite this, he continued to encourage the wounded, even when he was suffering from extensive blood loss. He died of his wounds.

**Turbi Yisrael Dahari**

A communications technician for the commander of an engineers' unit, his commander was critically wounded in a minefield while helping clear a passage for tanks. Turbi Dahari entered the minefield, laid a path and extricated his wounded commander, saving his life.

**Rav-Turbi Menashe Yamin**  
A medic in an infantry brigade, when some of the attacking forces were injured in a minefield north of Beaufort and other soldiers were injured while attempting to extricate the wounded, he volunteered to enter the minefield and attend the wounded. He went from man to man, giving assistance, including the closing of arteries, and encouraging the wounded. He saved many lives.

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area was empty. The flight was turned and at that point the missile carriers were spotted en route to a new emplacement. The flight attacked the carriers by strafing, since they had no more bombs, and the carriers were damaged.

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**O.C. AIR FORCE CITATION FOR COURAGE, LOYALTY AND DEVOTION TO DUTY.**

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## AWARDS TO SOLDIERS

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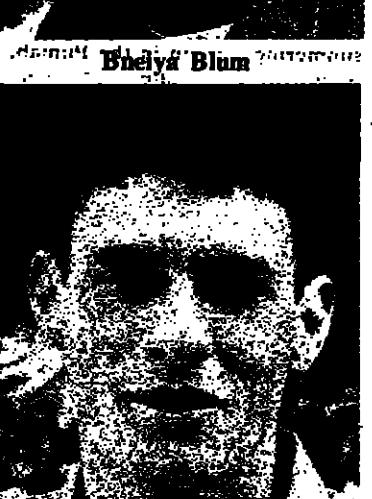
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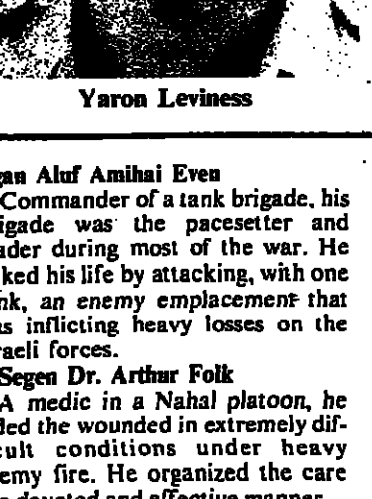
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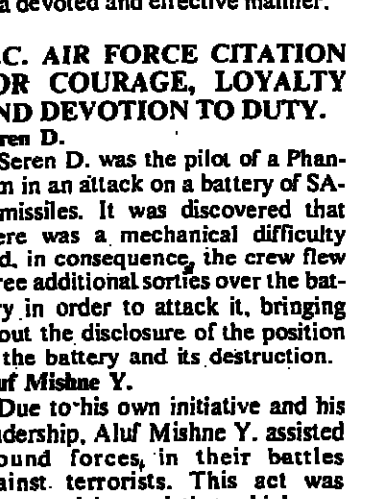
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**Sgan Aluf Amihai Even**  
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**O.C. MILITARY INTELLIGENCE CITATION FOR COURAGE, INITIATIVE, LOYALTY AND DEVOTION TO DUTY.**

**Seren (res) G.**  
During the battle for the conquest of Tyre, Segen G. made contact with the local population and was instrumental in the surrender of Tyre without a battle, thereby saving many lives.

**Rav-Seren (res.) Zvi Kolberg**  
Rav-Seren Kolberg was attached to an armoured brigade that broke through the coastal region in order to accomplish an intelligence mission. When his mission was finished he decided not to return but to continue with the attacking brigade. He accepted command of an armoured evacuation carrier at the head of the column. He did this in circumstances of extreme danger and while attempting to extricate a wounded soldier from a burning tank, under shellfire, he was hit and killed.

**Rav-Seren (res.) S.**  
Rav-Seren S. served as an interrogator of prisoners and in the course of his duties worked incessantly at finding information concerning men missing in action. During mopping-up operations in Beirut, he initiated contact with local commanders and was instrumental in the surrender of two quarters in the city without a battle. This saved countless lives.

**Samal Rishon (res.) S.**  
While the battles in the central sector were under way Samal Rishon S. was in charge of a team assigned to intelligence activities during the fighting. He accomplished his mission while overcoming great obstacles. He provided information of great value which permitted the advance of the Israeli forces.

**DIVISIONAL COMMANDER'S CITATION FOR COURAGE, INITIATIVE, LOYALTY AND DEVOTION TO DUTY.**

**Samal Ezra Badri**  
Samal Ezra Badri was in charge of a team in the engineers corps. Throughout the operation he served as an example, carrying out difficult assignments under fire.

**Seren Alon Bin-Nun**  
Seren Alon Bin-Nun served as an operations officer in an infantry brigade. While the brigade was deployed in a defensive position during the battle for the Beirut-Damascus road, enemy fire was directed at the front-line troops. A small force was left exposed to enemy fire. Segen Bin-Nun succeeded in evacuating them to safety while driving a tractor. During the evacuation, one of the soldiers was wounded and Bin-Nun also managed to collect him and take him to shelter.

**Samal Rishon Maimon Dari**  
Samal Dari was a tank commander in a tank brigade. During the battle for Sidon, the tank of the platoon commander was hit by enemy fire and started to burn. The tank crew managed to abandon the tank but the gunner was injured and remained in the tank. Samal Dari ran to the burning tank under enemy fire and managed to pull the injured soldier out. He then returned to his tank and continued to

command it, destroying terrorist positions.

**Samal Arnon Hoffman**  
Samal Hoffman served as a medic in an infantry platoon. At the battles for the Kasimia Bridge and Kfar Sil, he cared for the wounded under fire, often endangering himself. Despite the fact that he was wounded himself, he continued to care for the injured with great efficiency and faithfulness.

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At the battle for Ein Zahlati, Samal Rishon Zazon served as a tank commander in the leading force. His force encountered Syrian tanks at a very close range. Samal Rishon Zazon did not lose his head, but destroyed five enemy tanks, displaying great initiative. He also evacuated the wounded and aided in the evacuation of the forces.

**Sgan Aluf Ziv Halevy**  
Sgan Aluf Halevy served as commander of a tank brigade during Operation Peace for Galilee. While battling with the Syrians in the central sector he was wounded but in spite of the doctor's advice continued to command until the end of the battle.

**Rav-Seren Tsur Maor**  
Commander of a tank platoon at the southern exit of the town of Gizin, his force encountered Syrian tanks that prevented them from moving southwards. He organized his unit, took them over a mountainous passage under fire and destroyed many enemy tanks.

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He served in an infantry brigade. Throughout the battles, he showed a high level of professionalism. He destroyed three enemy tanks and a number of enemy positions that were causing losses to Israeli forces. He was killed while trying to evacuate a wounded comrade.

**Samal Yitzhak Ovadia**  
Samal Ovadia served as an artillery gunner in an artillery brigade. An armoured personnel carrier near him was hit by enemy fire during heavy shelling and started to burn. He ran to the vehicle and managed to extricate a number of wounded, but paid for this with his life.

**Samal Rishon Pinhas Rose**  
A tractor driver in an engineering unit, he cleared a route through damaged enemy tanks under heavy fire, while the damaged vehicles exploded around him.

**Samal Shmuel Boaz**  
Samal Boaz was a medic in an infantry brigade. The commander of the brigade, while checking a route, encountered a mine and lost his legs. Samal Boaz went into the minefield and treated him until he could be evacuated. Samal Boaz was later killed in the fighting.

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**Samal Yitzhak Ovadia**  
Samal Ovadia served as an artillery gunner in an artillery brigade. An armoured personnel carrier near him was hit by enemy fire during heavy shelling and started to burn. He ran to the vehicle and managed to extricate a number of wounded, but paid for this with his life.

**Samal Rishon Pinhas Rose**  
A tractor driver in an engineering unit, he cleared a route through damaged enemy tanks under heavy fire, while the damaged vehicles exploded around him.

**Samal Shmuel Boaz**  
Samal Boaz was a medic in an infantry brigade. The commander of the brigade, while checking a route, encountered a mine and lost his legs. Samal Boaz went into the minefield and treated him until he could be evacuated. Samal Boaz was later killed in the fighting.

**BRIGADE COMMANDER'S CITATION FOR COURAGE, LEADERSHIP AND DEVOTION TO DUTY.**

**Seren Oren Orli**  
Commander of a unit of infantry in the Nahal, he was present at the battle for Ein Zahlati when a lead tank was hit. He tried to extricate the wounded from the tank and while doing so enemy fire wounded a number of his men, as well as himself. Despite his wounds he persisted and succeeded in evacuating his own wounded as well as one member of the tank crew. He stayed with his unit until the end of the fighting.

**Rav-Turbi Yosef Attias**  
Driver of a weapons carrier in an artillery brigade. Near Rashi El

Fahad a fire broke out in a field and the fire spread to the area of his weapons carrier. He managed to remove the material to safety at great danger to himself.

**Rav-Turbi Tuvia Berger**  
A soldier in an infantry battalion, his battalion was caught in a position where there was no water. He showed great initiative by finding a water jug and going under fire to bring water several times to the wounded as well as the fighting men.

**Seren Avi Givati**  
He served as a battalion commander in a tank brigade. When the commander of the column fell at the southern exit of Gizin, he went around the column under fire, reported and took command. He was later killed in action.

**Turbi Shlomo Legrisi**  
A company clerk at the beginning of the war, he volunteered to transport ammunition and to take over the duties of the vehicle officer. He did this throughout the fighting with no previous training or experience.

**Samal Nadav Lillor**  
A company sergeant in an infantry brigade, he was at the head of the troops throughout the war. Even when sent back, he managed to report once again to the front, where he was killed in action.

**Rav-Turbi Shai Lindner**  
A medic in an infantry brigade he faithfully assisted the wounded under fire in extremely difficult conditions. While attending his wounded commander he was injured and died of his wounds.

**Samal Yitzhak Mizrahi**  
A gunner in a tank brigade, his tank was hit by Syrian fire and the commander and the communications officer were wounded. He managed to get out of the tank and to evacuate the wounded to safety.

**Seren Shabar Nadav**  
Commander of a tank battalion, he entered Ein A-Tina, where his tank was hit and he was wounded in the face. He went to another tank and tried once again to enter the village, but this tank was also hit. Despite his injuries he refused to be evacuated, remaining with his men until the battle was over.

**Seren Doron Sapir**  
A company commander in an infantry brigade, he was wounded under heavy fire, refused to be evacuated and stayed with his men.

**Samal Arik Padlon**  
Driver of an armoured personnel carrier in a tank brigade, the tractor ahead of him was hit during fighting in the central sector. The driver was wounded and, under heavy fire, Samal Padlon extricated him and removed the damaged vehicle.

**Seren Gideon Rosh**  
Seren Rosh was commander of a battery in an artillery brigade. During the battle for Tyre, a vehicle carrying ammunition for the brigade was hit on the coastal strip. The vehicle started to burn and was in danger of imminent explosion. He evacuated the men from the area, including the wounded, but did not get out before the vehicle exploded, killing him.

**Samal Asher Shocar**  
Samal Shocar was a soldier in the armoured infantry in a tank brigade. Under heavy fire he evacuated the wounded until he himself was killed.

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Turnovers double in April rally

**Tel Aviv Stock Exchange**  
By JOSEPH MORGENTHAU

Maritime Bank issues were ahead by 2% or better.

The action became hot and heavy, however, when it came to the Danot and FIBI shares. Danot 1.0 was ahead by a full 10%, while the 0.5 shares were "buyers only."

The statistics gave a full picture of the resurgence. Sharply rising shares were ahead of major losers by more than 15 to one. A full 24 securities were "buyers only," while only 9 were "sellers only." No fewer than 158 shares came through with gains of more than 5%. Many of the gainers were ahead by 10% or more. Only nine issues fell by more than 1%.

Trading in options, which takes place early in the morning in advance of the stocks, already indicated the happy trend of business. It seemed that every type of investment had its own appeal. Indexed bonds came through with advances of as much as 3%.

Many observers had expected the commercial bank issues to take a back seat in any meaningful rally. This certainly was not the case, as some very smart gains were recorded. Union Bank, which recently announced a 27% gain in earnings for 1982, came through with a rise of no less than 7.2%. The

while the option 4 was ahead 17%. Securitas recorded an 8.8% advance.

and development and real estate issues came through with a balanced performance. Mehadrin, Migdal and Caesarea 0.5 were all winners. Shin-Har was up by 0.1%. Baranowitz 0.5 and Arledan 0.1 were ahead by more than 9%.

The higher trend was equally evident in the services and trade group. Data Automation was 10.1% higher. Malat 1.0 was nearly 14% higher. Interage 0.1 was "buyers ahead by 10%." Kopel was 10% higher, as was Bonded 0.5 was 9% better.

There was plenty of upside volatility among industrials. Elbit was up 6.7%. Elron parent company is currently preparing to float a \$30 million share issue on the American Over-the-Counter Market. Elron 0.1 moved 8.1% higher. Ondine 1.0 gained 8.6% while the 0.5 shares were 9.4% improved.

10% while Hamaslul 0.1 was ahead by nearly 10%. Dexta joined the winners. Wolfman Mosias 1.0 up 10%. Other 10% gainers included Chushan 0.1, Necca 0.1, TAT 5.0, Rim 0.4, Shemen El-Rov debent.

Investment group yesterday in the shares responded to the El-Rov 1.0 and were established demand above their issue price. The 0.5 shares, by contrast, the 0.5 heavy selling pressure under price was set 10.5% below their issue price. The Israel Corp. 0.5 shares were 10% better, while the 1.0 shares gained slightly more than 4%. Investment of Paz (b) Piroyon and Pama 0.1 were all in the 10% winners circle.

The shekel, which had not been readjusted since last Friday, was yesterday devalued by 29 agorot against the dollar.

The shares of the Israel General Bank will today trade ex-bonus shares and will trade from a base of 4.336.

Clal Leasing is also trading ex-bonus shares. The price of the 0.1 shares has been set at 625 and that of the 0.5 shares at 254.

World trade drops for second year

WASHINGTON (AP) — Foreign trade of the world's industrialized nations declined for the second year in a row in 1982, reflecting a worldwide recession, the International Monetary Fund reported last week.

Exports of these countries totalled \$1.61 trillion, about 6.5 percent less than in 1981. Imports totalled \$1.72 trillion, a decline of 6.1 percent.

The U.S. experienced the steepest decline in exports, 9.2 percent, followed by France, 9.1 percent, Japan, 8.2 percent, and Britain, 6 percent.

Swiss bank owned by Israeli loses licence

NEVA — The Swiss Federal Banking Commission has withdrawn its operating licence from Bank Commercial S.A., which was based in Geneva. The decision was immediate effect.

The main shareholder of the bank is Israeli, Akiva Persitz, general manager is his son Rafael.

Before opening his own bank

Insurance to pay \$10m. in Air Florida crash

CATTLE (AP) — Boeing Co. insurers will contribute \$10 million to the claims from the crash of an Air Florida jetliner in the Potomac River at Washington, D.C., last week, according to an insurance industry publication.

Business Insurance Journal, reported in its March 28 edition that the company will make a one-time payment of \$7.7m. to Air Florida Inc. passenger claims and also will designate crew claims.

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FRANCE	FRANC	5.51	5.53
HOLLAND	GUILDER	16.47	16.53
SWITZERLAND	FRANC	19.34	19.42
SWEDEN	KRONA	5.33	5.36
NORWAY	KRONA	5.59	5.64
DENMARK	KRONA	4.63	4.68
FINLAND	MARK	7.32	7.37
CANADA	DOLLAR	32.36	32.49
AUSTRALIA	DOLLAR	34.59	34.70
SOUTH AFRICA	RAND	36.43	36.63
BELGIUM	FRANC	8.29	8.37
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NEW YORK. — The Dow Jones, after having been up as much as six points earlier in the day, closed off 7.54 at 1120.07.

Volume broadened a little but was still light with 76,630,000 shares traded. There was a significant sell off in the technology sector which was led by Prime Computer (34 off

7) when it projected lower earnings. In the Israeli group, Ampal has been attracting attention, trading several hundred thousand shares.

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